MR. BUCKNER'S AVENUE PAVEMENT BILL

A BROTHER'S MURDEROUS ASSAULT

THE NEW MARKET-HOUSE MOVEMENT

Miscellaneous Paragraphs of Interest

Weather probabilities, estimated at 1 a. m .-Weather probabilities, estimated at 1 a.m.— Buring Friday, in the South Atlantic and Gulf States, falling and stationary barometer, south-erly to westerly winds, and warmer, clear or partly cloudy weather will prevail. In the Mid-die States failing barometer, warmer, southeast to southwest winds, increasing to brisk, increas-ing cloudiness and probably rain in northern por-tion, followed at night by rising barometer and coid northwesterly winds.

Thermometric readings taken May 11, 1876, at the Signal Office: 7 a. m., 52°; 7:35 a. m., 53°; 12 m., 62°: 2 p. m., 66°: 4:35 p. m., 69°: 9 p. m., 58° 11 p. m., 56°. Maximum, 69°; minimum, 48° For court proceedings see third page.

Behrend's Patent Catarrh eigar sure cure. Look out for the Analostan boat club's annua

Smoking Tobacco, 10 and 20 cent packages. R. B. Ferguson, pharmacist, corner Secon street and Pennsylvania avenue, Capitol Hill. Van street has had its dead infant, which was found between Third and Four-and-a-half streets. Trusses, \$1; also all the homosopathic medi-cines at Heller's drug store, under the National

All kinds of trunks made to order, repaired and covered at McMurrays' 805 Pennsylvania avenue [Look out for the Analostan boat club's annua

Several fine chickens were stolen from F D Queen's wood shed, Sampson street near Fit teenth street northwest.

H. D. Cooke, jr., &, Co., F street near the Treasury, do a general banking business and buy and sell District securities. There will be a festival held in Dr. church on Ninth street, next week. Extensive

preparations are under way to make it one of the finest entertainments of the season. General Finstein begins on Monday to wage war upon the Washington dogs. He will make his headquarters as usual under the shadow of the Observatory. This is not a notice of Einstein.

the Observatory. This: This is a notice to dogs. The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN book and job printing office is one of the largest and best ap pointed job offices south of New York. All kinds of job work are promptly executed there on the most advantageous terms. Derby hats, in pearl, nutria and black colors

fine nutria soot hats; youths' and children's hats in felt and straw; silk umbrellas and walking canes, STEINMETZ, HATTER, 1237 Pennsylvenia avenue. Look out for the Analostan boat club's annual

The following marriage licenses were issue yesterday: Myren M. Parker and Nellie L. Cris wold, Wm. T. Hutchinson and Katle Bohrer, Richard Carter and Susan Breckenridge, Walker Taylor and Maria Kennedy, Charles Miller and Julia Tracey, Horace E. Lawrence and Mary Mrs. Mary Williams, of Georgetown, died ye

terday morning, after a long and lingering ill-ness, at the residence of Mr. B. R. Mayfield, con-ner of Washington and West streets, in the sev-enty-fifth year of her age. Mrs. Williams, who was a member of Dunbarton-street M. E. church, was greatly beloved and respected. Several Desirable Building Lots

hear the British legation will be sold on eas terms at trustee's sale to-day, at 6 o'clock p. m. ARE YOU GOING TO HEAR BEECHER

It is announced that the great auction sale of fine foreign and domestic dry goods, &c., by the veteran auctioneer, Mr. Wash. B. Williams, at his agetion house, corner of Tenth and D streets will positively be brought to a close on next Sat urday evening. We understand the entire bal ance of this immense consignment of first-class goods must be closed out this week, regardless of price.

Returning to Work.

f The Washington detectives, who accompanied the excursionists to Philadelphia, returned yes terday. Detective McDevitt made the first cas ince the return. Mary Ellen Roby, a colored domestic, employed by Mrs. James Parker, Thir-teenth street, near the Avenue, went away with about seventy.five dollars' worth of goods belong-ing to her mistress. Detective McDevitt followed up the girl, and succeeded in capturing her and recovering the goods very soon after her disap-

Fatal Accident.

Tuesday evening a little boy named Hugh Evans, eleven years old, son of Robert Evans, re-siding on G street, between Thirteenth and Fourmenth northeast, was killed by a singular acc dent. He was riding a horse which had just been shed away from the blacksmith shop on Mary land avenue, near Fourteenth street northeast when the animal reared so high that he lost his balance, and falling over backwards crushed the boy, killing him almost instantly. The remain were conveyed to the residence of his lather

Police Court Shysters.

Judge Snell yesterday administered another ecture to "shyster" lawyers who infest the Police Court. He spoke especially of a case, of which he had been informed, where a lawyer of this class lind persuaded a prisoner, whose case had been dis-missed, that it would be necessary to employ the missed, that it would be necessary to employ the services of counsel in order to obtain the collateral which the court had ordered to be refunded. He also referred to other questionable practices of these men, who stoop below the dignity of their profession in canvassing for clients, and threatened to dismiss from the bar of the court any lawyer who could be convicted of such actions.

Mr. Taggart expressed his determination to do all he could to co-operate with the court to put a stop to such practices.

HEAR BEECHER, THE GREATEST LIVING ORATOR, TO NIGHT,

G. A. R.-Decoration Day.

A subscription paper is being carried through the Departments by Comrade Horace H. Brower, for the patriotic purpose of raising funds to be used in the purchase of flowers for the decoration of the graves of the heroes who gave themselves up as willing martyrs in the cause of freedom and equal rights, and to perpetuate for all time the integrity of this great Union of American States as now defined in the organic law of the land, by signing, sealing and delivering the same in their life's blood. The memory of the tens of thousands of Union braves who thus fell shall ever be held as most sacred by all the freedomloving of the whole world, and when the glorious
events of ages yet to come shall have been added
to the history of our world-absorbing nation "Decoration Day" will continue to be devoutly observed by millions of loyal and grateful hearts,
whose earnest prayers will ascend to heaven in
thankfulness and praise for the inestimable boon
which we now, in this our first Centennial are exuiting and joining hands with "all creation" in
the celebration thereof.

The list, we notice, is headed by a liberal domation each from Mr. Bentley, Commissioner of
Pensions; Col. J. W. Babson, Deputy Commissioner; T. B. Hood, medical referee, Pension
Bureau, followed by nearly, if not quite every
other one of the attaches of this bureau. Stewart
L. Woodford, at-Governor of New York, is to deliver the oration, a fact which will be agreeably
received by the thousands who will be present on
this most melancholy, yet glorious, occasion. ever be held as most sucred by all the freedom

UNION REVIVAL MEETINGS.

The Religious Interest Still Growing Stronger. The immense crowd that attended the mass meeting at the K-street market on Wednesday

evening, and the great number that thronged th Assembly church at the inquiry meeting tha same night, are pretty strong proofs that the interest in religious matters, resulting from the recent labors of Messrs. Hammond and Bentley amongst us, has not yet died out. The increased numbers in attendance yesterday at the noon

amongst us, has not yet died out. The increased numbers in attendance yesterday at the noon meeting at the Assembly church, and the deep and earnest feeling manifested, were further indications of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Over fifty requests for prayer were read by the Rev. W. S. Hammond, who presided at the meeting.

Among these were requests for my husband and son; also, for my dear nephew and Suiday-school class, that they may all come to Jesus; for a sister and two brothers; for three gentlemen and their wives; also, a mother and four daughters; for a father that don't believe the Hible: for one who has lived my marriy all the days allotted to man without Christ; for a grandson who is a drunkard; for an aunt now over seventy years of age, and has never given her heart to the biessed Saviour, also, for an uncle and his family all out of the ark of safety; for a widowed mother with a large family of small children, that she may give her heart to Jesus; for a sister and two brothers who are out of the fold of Christ; for a young man who once professed religion, but has gone back to tending bar; for my wayward husband; for my two brothers, who are deeply convicted; for an intemperate nephew; for a brother who is the enly one of a family out of Christ; for a young man from Callfornia who is here this morning; for my son and daughter; for my father and mother; for a lady friend of mine who has no desire to become a Christian; a lady for herself; for a husband and son; by a Tather for two sons, religiously instructed; for mother, father and five brothers; for a man who will work on the Sabbath.

bath.

Several conversions were reported as having taken place at the market meeting and at the inquiry meeting which followed. About ten minutes were devoted to a praise meeting, at which about fifty persons spoke briefly. A lady thanked Ged that twenty scholars had been converted in her Sunday school. Notice was given that a young converts' meeting would be held at the Calvary Baptist church this evening. The noon meeting to day and to-morrow at the Assembly's church, corner or Fifth and I signets.

THE AVENUE PAVEMENT.

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Provisions of Mr. Buckner's Bill. The bill introduced in the House of Representa-tives by Mr. Buckner, chairman of the House Dis-trict of Columbia Committee, for the paving of trict of Columbia Committee, for the paving of Pennsylvania avenue, directs the President of the United States to detail Gen. H. G. Wright and Gen. Q. A. Gilmore, of the engineer corps of the army, who, with Edward Clark, Adolf Cluss, and INFORMATION FROM MR. T. B. SAMO Charles Mason, of Washington, D. C., shall form a commission, whose duty shall be to select and etermine the best kind of pavement to be used in paving Pennsylvania avenue, including the triangular spaces directly connecting with the Penn-sylvania avenue pavement, abutting on the parts of squares numbered 254, 256, 323, 348, and 498, but not including the sidewalks; and to have said thoroughfare paved therewith from the northwest gate of the Capitol grounds to and including the crossing of Fifteenth street west, with such a

pavement as they, or a majority of the said com nission, may agree upon. Sec. 2. Within ten days after the passage of this act, or as soon thereafter as may be, the commis-sioners named shall meet and organize by the ection of a president and secretary from among their number, and proceed to perform the duties imposed upon them; and as soon as practicable, after they have determined upon the pavement to be used, and caused specifications to be pre-pared of the plan, kind and character of the work, they shall give notice for one week in a daily paper published in each of the cities of Washing-ton, Philadelphia and New York for proposals for paving said avenue, on the lowest and best terms. If the bids shall be found to be in excess of a rea-

paving said avenue, on the lowest and best terms, if the bids shall be found to be in excess of a reasonable price for said paving the commissioners shall reject all of said bids, and may cause the work to be done under their direction by the purchase of material and the hire of labor. And the commission may also, in the advertisement, invite proposals for other kinds of pavement than that selected by the majority thereof: Provided. That the pavement shall be of the best material, laid in the most substantial manner, and without unnecessary delay, and that a good and sufficient bond to the United States, with sureties to be approved by the commission, shall be exceted, guaranteeing that the terms of any contract or contracts made shall be strictly and faithfully observed, and that the contractor shall keep the pavement in good repair for the term of three years, or said commission shall retain a per centum of the cost of the work as a guarantee fund to keep the same in repair for the said term.

Sec. 3. The cost of laying down said pavement shall be paid for in the following proportions and manner: The Washington and Georgetown Railtread Company shall bear all of the expense for that portion of the work lying between the exterior rails of the tracks of their road, and for a distance of two feet from and exterior to the track on each side thereof, and of keeping the same in repair; but the said railroad company shall not be required to use any other material than cobblestone or Helgian rock in paving the spaces between its property and the part of the avenue to be paid for by the said railroad company, and one half of the cost of paving the spaces between its property and the part of the avenue to be paid for by the said railroad company, and one half of the cost of paving the intersection of the streets and avenues, less that to be paid by the railroad company, and the other half shall be paid out of the revenues of the District of Co the streets and avenues, less that to be paid by
the railroad company, and the other hair shall
be paid out of the revenues of the District of Co
lumbia derived from taxation; and the residue
of the cost of such paving shall be paid as
follows: One third by the owners of private
property lying and abutting on said Pennsylvania
avenue, in proportion to their frontage thereon;
one third by the general revenue of the District
of Columbia derived from taxation; and the
amount required to pay the part of said cost assumed by the United States shall be paid out of
any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the amount required to pay the part
of said cost charged to the District of Columbia
shall be paid by the Commissioners of said District from any funds in the treasury of said District derived from taxation, upon the warrants or trict from any funds in the treasury of said District derived from taxation, upon the warrants or orders of said commission duly audited in the Treasury Department: Frowid-d. That the property-owners of such parts of squares 254, 256, 253, 348 and 469 as are abouting on upon said pavement shall be assessed at the same rate per front foot as the owners on Pennsylvania avenue: And provided further, That the space between Seventh and Eighth streets, opposite the locality now occupied by the Washington Market Company, shall be paid by the District of Columbia, unless the suit now pending as to the ownership of said ground shall be decided against said District, when the same shall be refunded, with legal interest, by the Washington Market Company to said District,

Sec. 4. Assessments shall be made by the Commissioners of the District upon the owners of the private property on the Avenue and spaces, and upon the railroad company, respectively provided for in section 3, and the sums so found collected by the collector of the District of Columbia and paid into the Treasury of the United States, where it shall be held as a special fund for the specific purpose herein named; and such fund, together with such sum as shall be found to be due and payable from the United States for its proportion of the cost of said pavement, shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury, on the warrant or order of the commission, or a majority thereof, herein authorized, in such amounts and at such times as they may deem safe and proper in view of the progress of the Work.

Sec. 5. The cost of laying down said pavement, exclusive of the work charged to and paid for by the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company, but including the removal of the present pavement, grading the avenue and all other work and material nacessary to fully complete said pavement for use, shall not exceed the sum of \$4 per square yard.

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Sec. 6. If the Washington and Georgetown Kallroad Company, or any private citizen or other corporation or person, shall neglect or refuse to pay the amount assessed for the paving herein authorized, (within thirty days after the notification of such assessment shall have been published in one or more papers printed in the District of Columbia,) in front of or adjoining their property, when the work so fronting or adjoining their property shall have been completed to the satisfaction of the commission provided for in this act, and assessed by the District of Columbia Commissioners, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall issue certificates of indebtedness against the property, which certificates shall bear interest at the rate of ten per centum per annum until paid; sand which, until they are paid, shall remain and be a lien upon the property on or against which they are issued. And if the certificates are not paid within one year, the Commissioners of the District shall, upon the application of the holder, proceed to sell the property against which they are issued, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay said tax; such sales to be first duly advertised, daily for one week, in some newspaper published in the city of Washington, and to be made at public auction to the highest bidder; and a deed given by the Commissioners of the District shall be deemed and held to be a good and perfect title to any property bought at such sale. Provided, That the owner of said real estate shall have the right to redeem the property sold by paying the amount of purchase money and ten per centum, with costs, on the amount of the said purchase, within one year from the date of the sale.

Sec. 7. The paying commission shall not repayer.

sale.

Sec. 7. The paving commission shall not repave that portion of Pennsylvania avenue between Ninth and Tenth streets, on the north side of the rallroad track unless it is necessary to make an even and regular grade. Where street railroads cross Pennsylvania avenue, the pavement between their tracks shall conform to the kind of pavement used on the avenue; and the companies owning these intersecting railroads shall pay for paving the same, in the rame manner and proportion as is resulted by section 3 of the Georgetown and ing the same, in the rame manner and proportion as is required by section 3 of the Georgetown and Washington Railroad Company.

See 8. It shall be the duty of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to see that all water and gas mains, service pipes and sewer connections are laid before the pavement authorized by this act is put down; and the old wood paving bleeks, which are required to be removed under this act, shall be delivered to the Commissioners for such use or disposition as they may see fit to make.

"IMMENSE" WILL BE BEECHER'S LEC-TURE TO NIGHT.

FRATERNAL FEELING.

A Erother's Murderous Assault-Kicking Out

an Eye-Henry and Edward Colbert, two colored roughs reside with their mother in Nailor's alley, be-tween Ninth and Tenth and N and O streets northwest; About 6:30 o'clock last evening Edward, who has been dissipating a great deal of late, came home in an intoxicated condition. He assaulted his mother with drunker savageness, kicking and striking her. Henry, who was present, interfered, and attacked Edward in a hercer manner than the latter had set upon the mother. After beating Edward until he fell with his head upon the alley-step, he began to kick him about the head with his heavy boots, kick hifn about the head with his heavy boots, and would have succeeded in killing his brother, as he declared it was his intention to do, had not the mother interfered and pulled Henry away. As it was, Edward had received severe injuries about the head. The left temple was badly cut and the left eye was laid open, and the victim suffered terribly. Henry left the house immediately after the affray.

Lieutenant Eckloff, of the Sixth precinct, was informed of the affair, and officers were soon on the lookout for the brutal assailant. Henry remained away from the house for three hours, and was thought to have escaped in safety. He imprudently returned to the house about 9 o'clock to pack up some clother, and as he was leaving again was arrested in the alley by Officer Slater and locked up in the Sixth precinct station. Drs. Nailor and Loring were called in to attend the injured man soon after the affray, and relieved his sufferings after operating upon the eye.

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Railroad Litigation.

John Sinclair, through his counsel, Mr. R. K. Elliot, has entered suit against the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company for damages he alleges be sustained on the 12th of Novembe het alteges be sustained on the jeth of November last, by and through the carelessness of defendant in starting a car at the corner of Nineteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue while he was in the act of getting off, by which reason he was thrown to the ground, his ribs fractured, and he was otherwise injured. Damages are laid at \$1,000.

Seeking Divorce.

William H. Killmon, through his attorneys lessrs. Hine and Thomas, has entered suit for divarce from his wife, Emily R. Killmon. The complainant states that they were married in this city in September, 1863, and that she resided here until May, 1872, and that she deserted him on the 20th of April, 1874.

Dom Pedro, the Brazilian Emperor. has been presented with a sample of the cele-brated U. S. Boss five-cent cigar, (The Duke's Motto,) by M. Goldstein, proprietor of the Cali fornia Cigar Store, No. 611 Pennsylvania avenue The Emperor will no doubt appreciate these fine cigars and give a large order.

HEAR BEECHER ON OUR COMMON SCHOOLS TO NIGHT.

Revival. An open-air meeting was held at the corner Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue yester morning. Among those who participated were Revs. W. S. Hammond, Noble, Rankin, Little and J. V. Alverd. A number of gentlemen spoke, and praise and inquiry meetings followed. Inter-esting revival meetings are in progress at the North Carolins-avenue M. P. mission and at the Lutheran church on Capitol Hill.

DEVERYBODY IS GOING TO HEAR BEECHER TO-NIGHT,

THE TURBID POTOMAC. Information from Mr. T. B. Samo-Replies to

Dr. Verdi. In answer to a resolution of Congress, requesting the Board of Health of Washington to inquire into the causes of the present turbid condi-tion of the Potemac water supplied by the Wash-

ington aqueduct:

Office of Washington Aqueduct, \
Washington, D. C., April 29, 1876.

Hon. T. C. Verdi, Member of the Board of Heatth, Washington, D. C.
Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 28th instant, requesting me to furnish you with answers to the following questions relating to the Washington aqueduct. In reply, I submit herewith such information as this office contains.

Question 1. When were the Washington aqueduct works constructed? Give the names of the engineers by whom designed and built.

Answer. The construction of the Washington aqueduct was begun November 8, 1833, by Franklin Pierce, President of the United States. The works were designed on their present general

aqueduct was begun November 3, 1833, by Franklin Pierce, President of the United States. The
works were designed on their present general
plan and location by Montgomery C. Meigs, captain of engineers, United States army. The chief
engineers have been Captain M. C. Meigs, William R. Hutton, C. E.; Silas Seymour, C. E.;
Theodore B. Samo, C. E.; Major Nathaniel Michler, Major George H. Elliott and Colonel O. E.
Babook.

Question 2. Under what organization were the
works built?

Answer. The works were built by order of the
Congress of the United States for the purpose of
bringing water into the cities of Washington and
Georgetown, and since they were begun until-thepresent time have been under the charge of the
General Government.

Question 3. Under what organization are they
managed?

Answer. Since July, 1867, the works have, by
act of Congress, been under the charge of the
chief of engineers, United States army.
Question 4. What is the source of supply?

Answer. The source of supply is the Potomac
river, above Great Falls.

Question 6. Quality of the water and analysis
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made of it?

Answer. The Potomac water was analyzed last year, under the direction of the Surgeon General United States army. The following table is one of the results: The quantities are in ten millionths or so many milligrammes in ten litres of water, equivalent to so many grains in one hundred and

Ammonia Albumenoid ammonia Permauganate potash Fermauganate potash. 32.4

The first constituent, the clorine, is an indication of the probable amount of animal matter which has from time to time entered the water. The ammonia on the next line of this table includes the ammonia of the ammonical salts, and of the urea. But the alternative ammonical salts and of the urea. ammonia of the ammonical salts, and of the urea. By the albumenoid ammonia is understood the ammonia produced when water is acted on by a permanganate in the presence of a considerable amount of alkali, under which circumstances the nitrogen of any albuminous matter present is discagaged in the form of ammonia. rangaged in the form of ammonia.

The last line of the table gives the amounts of permanganate of pot ash decomposed by warming for half an hour with acidulated water.

The Potomac water is, as regards hardness, rather better than the average of river waters, seing 10 4-10 degrees of Clarke's scale.

Question 6. Cost of works, original and additions?

Answer, In 1853 the estimated cost of the works.

ons: Answer. In 1853 the estimated cost of the works was \$2,300,00. They are not yet finished, but the actual expenditure for all purposes from 1851 to the present time, including construction and maintenence is \$4,778,207. Question No. 7. Cost of maintenance of works

Answer. The annual cost of maintenance of works, including engineering, superintendence and repairs, is from fifteen to twenty thousand ollars. Question No. 8. Population of Washington and corgetown, number of consumers and quantity f water used? Answer. The population of the two cities is apposed to be 145,000. The quantity of water

Answer. The population of the two cities is supposed to be 145,000. The quantity of water used by the citizens and Government Departments averages twenty-three million United States gallons in twenty-four hours.

Question No. 9. Character of supply, gravity, steam pumping or water power? If by gravity, size, form and grade of conduits?

Answer. For the city of Washington and a part of Georgetown the supply of water is brought by gravity. For Georgetown Heights steampumping is the power used. The conduit of the Washington Aqueduct is circular in section, nine feet interior in diameter, twelve inches long, with a uniform grade of nine and one half inches to each mile.

Question No. 10. Number of reservoirs, size,

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Answer. There are two reservoirs—the receiving and distributing. The receiving reservoir is situated about ten miles from the head of the Aqueduct, its area at the flow line (145 feet above tide-water) is 51 acres. It is a natural basin formed by building an earthen dam across the valley of Powder-Mill branch, a small creek that formerly emptted into the Potomac. It is now seldom used. The distributing reservoir is situated at the lower end of the Aqueduct, twelve miles from Great Falls, is in form nearly a rectangle, and has an area at the flow line of forty-four acres. Its dams are built of clay, and their inner faces are protected by a slope wall of dry rubble masonry from 12 to 15 inches in thickness, laid on a bed of small broken stones 6 inches in thickness. ness.

Question. No. 11. Have you estimated the flow of the Potomac river above Great Palls? If so, what was the result?

Answer. The Potomac was gauged above Great Falls, near the head of Conn's Island. A mean

rails, near the head of Conn's Island. A mean measurement of thirteen experiments with floats showed a surface velocity of 0.3045 feet per second. The area of water section was 3,042 3-10 square feet, and the estimated discharge, per D'Aubisson's formula, was 1,195,000,000 imperial gallons in twenty-four hours.

Question No. 12. How much of the Potomac water can be discharged by the conduit into the distributing reservoir in twenty-four hours. water can be discharged by the conduit into the distributing reservoir in twenty-four hours?

Answer. If the dam at the head of the aqueduct was continued entirely across the river to the Virginia shore the conduit, running full, could discharge into the reservoir 80,000,000 gallons in twenty-four hours. The present dam extends across the Maryland channel only; and the quantity that can be discharged by the conduit depends upon the depth of water above this dam. During the season of drought the minimum flow of the Maryland channel is about 20,000,000 gallons in twenty-four hours, all of which is brought by the conduit to the distributing reservoir.

Question 13. By what process can the Potomac water be clarified so as to render fit for use, the quantity required for the daily supply of Washington and Georgetown? If filtration is necessary what should be the number and size of the filter beds?

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Answer. For the present the Potomae water can be brought to a respectable condition of purity by increasing the area of the distributing reservoir to such an extent as will afford it ample time to settle and to deposit its sediment. "At a future day the water of the Potomae, like that of many other rivers, will need filtration to render it potable." "The successful use of the filter bed presupposes the preparation of the water in a subsiding reservoir." "Wherever the attempt has been made to use filter beds without that preliminary aid they have either failed altogether or rendered the water but partially clarified."

"The materials used for filtration on a large scale are very simple. They are sand, gravel and broken stone; the depth of the whole varying from five to six and one half feet."

"Each filter bed at short intervals varying with the condition of the water, must have the deposit that accumulates on the surface of the sand cleaned off or removed, and while any one is undergoing this cleansing process the other remaining filters must be competent to deliver the required supply." "It, then, there are seven filters six of the mannet be competent to the full duties of the service."

Mr. James P. Kirkwood, an eminent authority

the service."
Mr. James P. Kirkwood, an eminent authority on hydraulics, when chief engineer of the St. Louis Water Works assumed half a cuble foot of water per hour per square foot of the sand floor as a fair exponent of the best English practice, and as a rate which, with the usual attention, will be certain to insure satisfactory results. This rate is equivalent to MAG United States gallons per source foot per digm. per square foot per diem.

Assuming the size of a filter-bed for such a city as Washington to be one are, this area gives a filtration of 3,900,510 gallons in twenty-four hours. To filter 20,000,000 gallons seven filters of

hours. To filter 23,000,000 gallons seven filters of this size would be necessary, on the supposition that the flow of water through six of them would be continuous through the twenty-four hours. Quetion 14. Can the Potomac water be uni-formly distributed throughout the city of Wash-ington, and can the present pressure in the mains be increased? Answer. Comparatively uniform distribution of water can be insured in any city, if it is divided

water can be insured in any city, if it is divided into districts, each district mapped in reference to altitude and provided with a main proportioned to its area. The pressure can be increased by laying more mains from the distributing reservoir. In the law concerning the flow of water in pipes under uniform head velocity and pressure become interchangeable terms; as velocity increases pressure diminishes until it disappears in velocity, and vice verse. This velocity being checked, pressure is regained.

Very respectfully yours,

Theodore B. Sano,
Assistant Engineer of the Washington Aqueduct.

"STANDING ROOM" LEFT FOR BEECH.

Fourteenth-Street Market. Last evening an adjourned meeting of the resi-cents and dealers interested in the project for a new market in the northwestern sect city was held at Calbaugh's hall, Mr. John Cook in the chair and R. J. Lauritzen acting as cretary. The committee on incorporation reported that

a deed taken out under the general incorporation laws of the District would be all that is required o erect the market. The report was received to erect the market. Law reports and adopted.

The meeting then went into a lengthy discussion upon the cost and best location of the market.

The chairman said that a market as good and as serviceable as the Eastern market could be

as serviceable as the Eastern market could be built for \$20,000.

Air. Lincoln said that one could be built for \$30,000 as serviceable as the Eastern market, without cellars, which were not necessary.

The following standard of stock value was amended, and after discussion was adopted. That the amount of stock shall be \$50,000, being divided into two thousand shares, the value of each share to be \$25.

Several sites for a market were suggested, and the advantages of each freely discussed. The site on P street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets and the site on Fourteenth street, between Q and R streets were the two prominent in favor, but there was no special situation fixed upon. was adopted.

A motion was made, which was to call the name

f the market "The Fourteenth-street Market,

which was carried.

The following gentlemen were elected to solici subscriptions of stock: Messrs Cook, (chairman, Hoover, Fisher, Dufore, Burgess, Lincoln, Poole Ceoper and Moulton,

Adjourned until Thursday evening next. LET NO ONE FAIL TO HEAR BEECHER TO-NIGHT.

Auction Sales To-day. By Thos. Dowling:
At 10 o'clock, at No. 1443 Coreoran street, a los of furniture.
At 5 o'clock, valuable unimproved real estate about 60,000 square feet of ground. By H. H. Warner:
At 5:30 o'clock, two three-story brick houses
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AMUSEMENTS.

The Child Ricentionist. Master Harry Shannon was again greeted with a full house Wednesday night, and all expressed delight and astonishment at the powers exhibited by this child. He has no rival in our land. His renius is wonderful, and he will doubtless receive ovations wherever he goes. In the history of the world few children have been so precocious in intellect, and these have generally been gifted in a different way. Some astonishing mathematical powers have been given to children; others have had great powers of acquiring languages. Mo-zart played before royalty at six years of age: Dr. Johnson was exceedingly precocious, and George D. Prentice read aloud from the Bible to the D. Prentice read aloud from the Hible to the neighbors at the age of three and a half years. Chatterton astonished all England by his writings when a mere boy, but it remained for Harry Shannon, a boy of barely seven years, to make a greater display of native oratory than any child of his age has ever done in this or any other country. Master Harry's recitations are characterised by a degree of self-possession simply marvelous in one so young, while his attitudes and gestures are full of the ease, grace and effect seldom found combined in even the most celebrated stars of the rostrum or lyric stage. At the earnest request of a large number of citizens who have not yet had the opportunity of hearing him, one more exhibition has been decided upon prior to his leaving upon his tour through the North and East. A matinee will be given to-morrow afternoon, giving parents the opportunity of allowing their children to witness an exhibition which will prove both interesting and instructive.

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same lecture in Brooklyn, the Eagle of that city gays:

"The occasion last night was such as to demonstrate that his wonderful hold upon the affections of the people has rather strengthened than weakened. Everybody expected a fine audience. Nobody expected to see such a magnificent gathering as choked every ravenue of the Academy and occupied every cramp of its room. No opera audience of any past season could excel it, either in character or in numbers. It was easy to see that ninetenths of those present were there because they expected an intellectual treat; they were the men and women who do not allow such occasions de societe to go by. Few men, living or dead, have received such an ovation as that which signalized Mr. Beecher's appearance at the back of the stage. The moment his silver hair and leonine face was discovered, the entire audience arose as one man, cheering, waving handkerchiefs and testifying in every known way their delight at seeing once more on the lecture platform his familiar features."

Persons desirous of avoiding the inevitable rush that will occur to night should take advantage of the privilege of reserving the few seateleft meters and testife of the privilege of reserving the few seateleft meters.

Fereous desirous of avoiding the inevitable rust that will occur to night should take advantage of the privilege of reserving the few seats left unsold before 6 o'clock, as after that hour no seat can be reserved; but, first come first served will be the moto. The disgram may be found at No. '41 Pennsylvania avenue. Rosa D'Erina.

This gifted and accomplished artisle will give an entertainment at Lincoln hall on Monday evening next. The encomiums of the press, both in Europe and America, are lavish, as will be seen by Lucope and America, are invising as will be sole by the following extracts:

Paris—Resa D'Erina is a charming young artiste, has a splendid voice of great power and compass, and at her grand concert last night, patronized by the English and American Ambassadors, and in seven languages with complete success,—L'Art Musicale, London, England—Rosa D'Erina had the honor of singing, by command of her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, at Marihorough house vesterday. As her name indicates, M'lle D'Erina is a native of the sister Island, and though she shines most in interpreting its delicious ballad music, she is an accomplished musician and sings the songs of other lands with a grace and purity second only to that with which she warbbes the chansous of her own country.—London Star,

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Premeria. the following extracts:

interpreter of the magic music of her native land,— Freeman,
New York-Rosa D'Erina is a splendid vocalist of
the most varied talents, and was we'comed last night
by one of the largest audiences ever assembled in
Steinway hall. She is the most worthy successor of
Calharine Hayes,—Herald,
Booton-Rosa D'Erina comes to us with the most
glowing commendation from the press of both Eurappe and America, and sang herself immediately into
favor with a very large audience last evening, and
may add Roston to her numerous list of artisfic tritumpils. Her voice is one of the most agreeable that
has been heard here,—Boston Post.

Read advertisement in another column.

The New Star. On Monday, May 22, Miss Mary Anderson will begin an engagement at the National theatre, which will commence Mr. Ford's summer season. There is no manager in the country who has done o much for the younger members of the dramatic profession as John T. Ford. It was under his nanagement that Edwin Booth began his brilmanagement that Edwin Booth began his bril-liant starring career. Mr. Ford, who saw that Miss Anderson was a lady of undoubted genius, is the first Southern manager who offered her an engagement, and she is now playing at his opera house in Baltimore to a series of the most intelli-gent and brilliant audiences that were ever seen in that popular dramatic temple. Mr. Ford is a gentleman of fine culture and discrimination, fostering genius whenever he meets with it. Miss Anderson is said to be a lady of fine personal appearance, admitted by the most eensorious crities to be an actress of great power and positive genius.

National, Theatre-Vokes' Farewell Benefit. To-night the "Wrong Man in the Right Place" will be presented at the National theatre for the benefit of the Vokes, it being their last appearance but two in this city. This burlesque, we think the finest in their repertoire, has been re served specially for this occasion. The task o criticising the inimitable performance of this family would be a futile one, as all amusement-seekers are familiar with their representations. Suffice it to say, that when they depart "we shall ne'er look upon their like again."

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